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illuminator at work
Bible, Reims 14th century
Reims, Bibliothèque municipale,
ms. 40, fol. 83v

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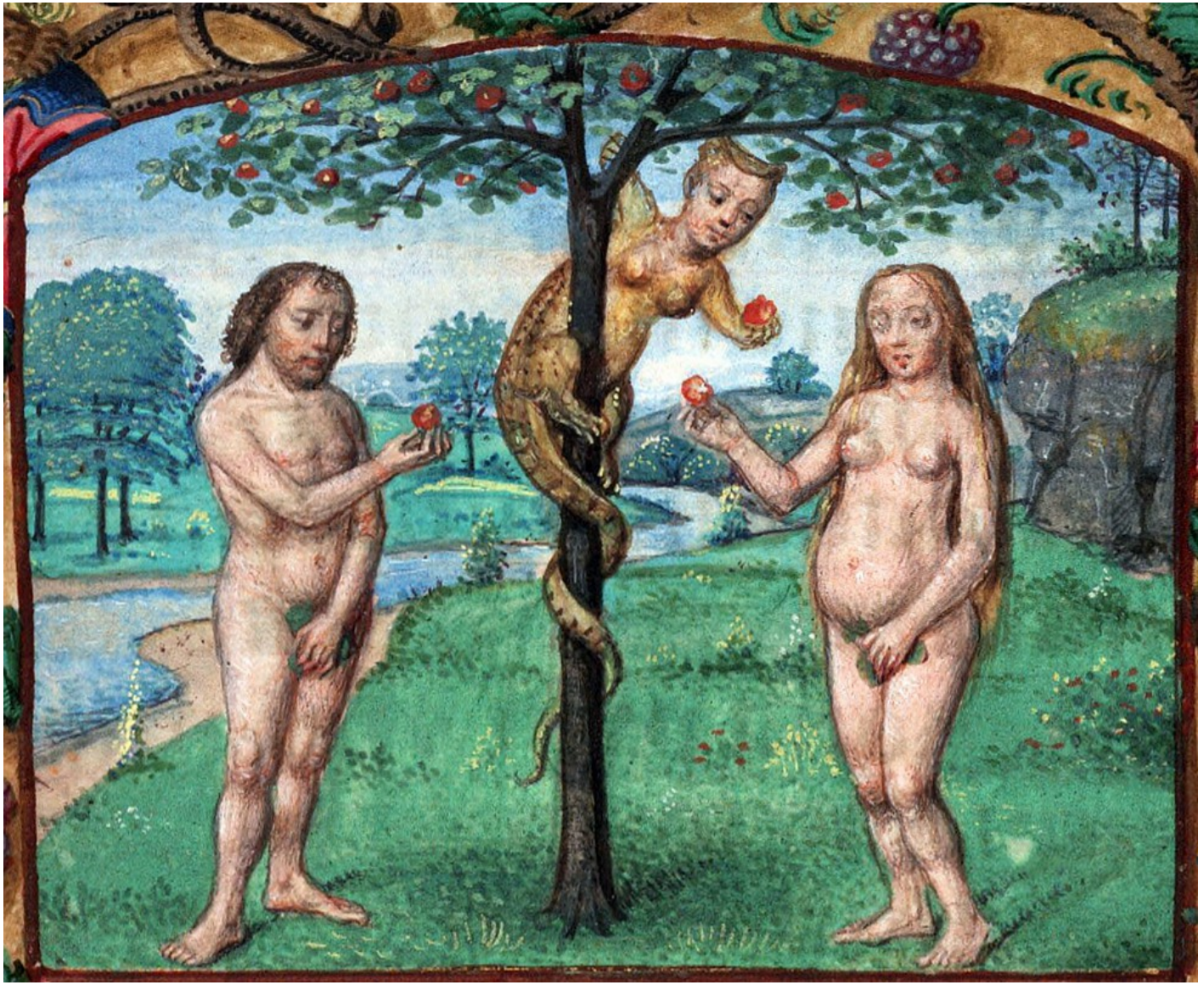

temptation
book of hours, Bruges or Ghent 15th century
Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, MS 287, fol. 46r

animals watching the creation of Eve
Psalter of Saint Louis and Blanche of Castile, France ca. 1225-1250
Paris, Bibliothèque de l’Arsenal, Ms 1186, fol. 10r

nativity
Pamplona Bible, Navarre 1197
Amiens, Bibliothèque municipale, ms. 108, fol. 168r

real surprise

Luttrell Psalter, England ca. 1325-1340
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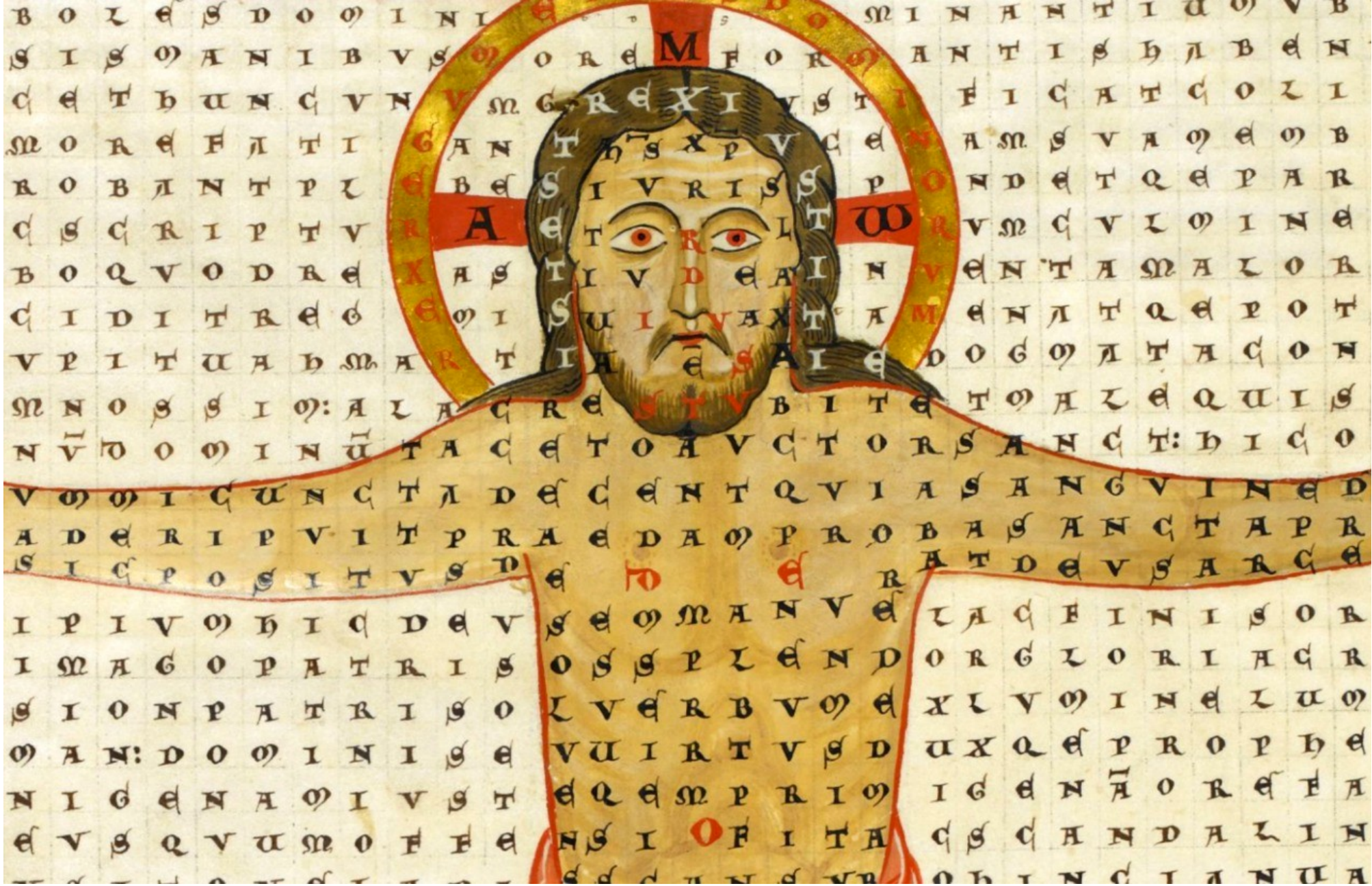
Hours of Charles of Angoulême, France ca. 1475-1500.
Paris, BnF, Latin 1173, fol. 52r



calligraphy on Christ

Hrabanus Maurus, De laudibus Sanctae Crucis, Germany ca. 1170.
British Library, Harley 3045, fol. 6v

Ezekiel's Vision
(Ezekiel 1:1-30

Nicolaus de Lyra super Bibliam, Italy ca. 1402.
Manchester, John Rylands University Library, Latin MS 30, fol. 123v

triangle face

Luttrell Psalter, England ca. 1325-1340.
British Library, Add 42130, fol. 80r

Noah’s cargo
'Bedford Hours', Paris ca. 1410-1430
BL, Add 18850, fol. 16v

Noah’s Ark
Somme le Roi, France 1294
BnF, Français 938, fol. 86r

animals
Bartholomaeus Anglicus, Liber de proprietatibus rerum (Livre des propriétés des choses – French translation of Jean Corbechon), Bruges 1482
BL, Royal 15 E III, fol. 200r

water stag
'Fieschi Psalter', Cambrai ca. 1290-1295
Baltimore, The Walters Art Museum, Walters Manuscript W.45, fol. 227v

peacock on the margin
Breviary of Mary of Savoy, Lombardy ca. 1430.
Chambéry, Bibliothèque municipale, ms. 4, fol. 436v

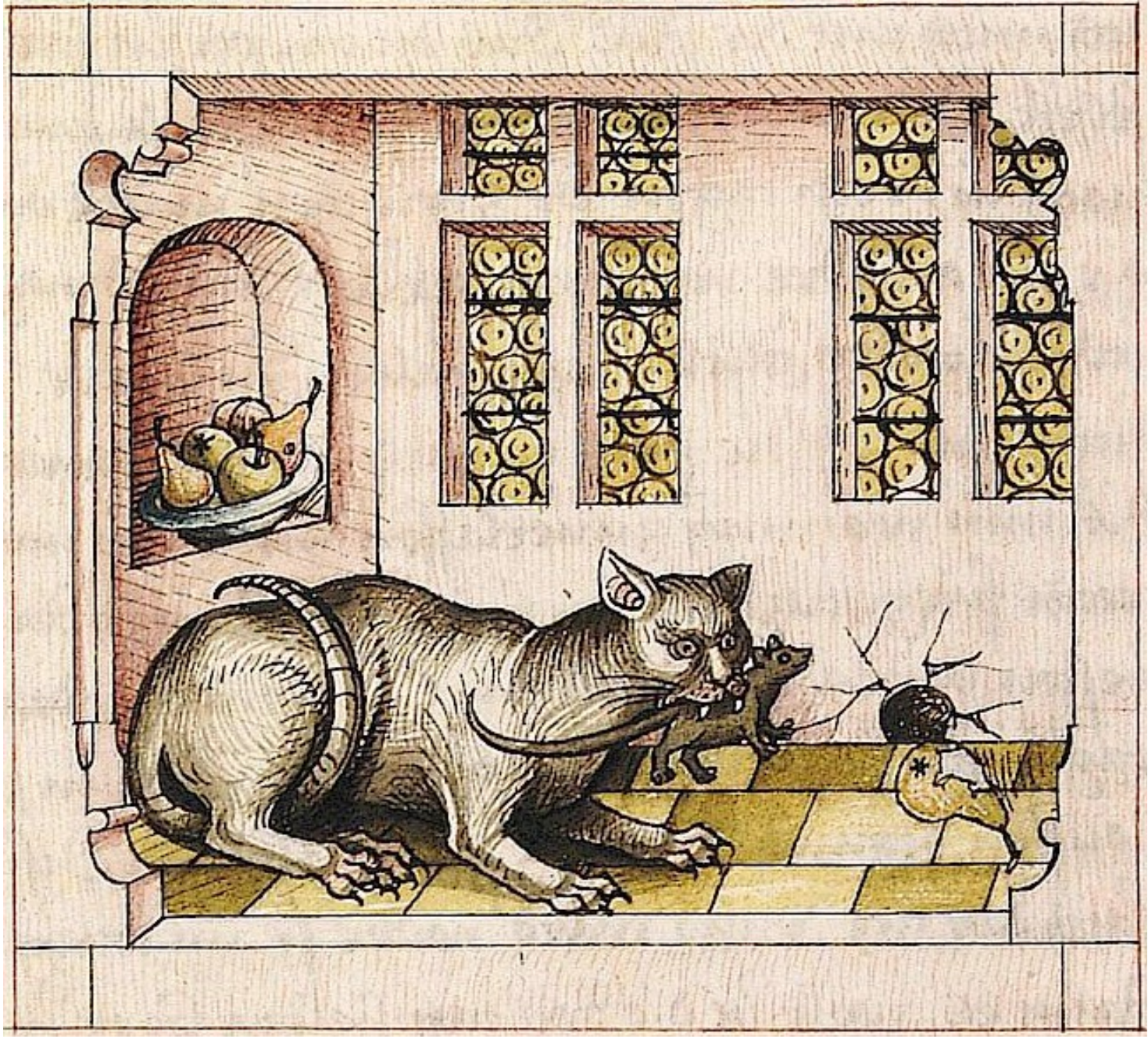
old cat and playful mice
psalter, Canterbury ca. 1210-1220
Bodleian Library, MS. Ashmole 1525, fol. 40r

St. Matthew writing his Gospel
book of hours, Bruges ca. 1510-1525
Rouen, BM, ms. 3028, fol. 63r

ants…
bestiary, France ca. 1230-1260
Valenciennes, Bibliothèque municipale, ms. 101, fol. 197r

bees
Bestiary/Liber de natura bestiarum, England after 1236
British Library, Harley 3244, fol. 57v

dispute with a rabbit
Gorleston Psalter, England 14th century
British Library, Add 49622, fol. 56r



gotcha
Antonius von Pforr, Buch der Beispiele, Swabia ca. 1475-1482
Universitätsbibliothek Heidelberg, Cod. Pal. germ. 84, fol. 232v

reindeer and panther
'The Tudor Pattern Book', England ca. 1520
Bodleian Library, MS. Ashmole 1504, fol. 40v

cross-eyed rabbit portrait
(looking a bit phallic)
Vincent of Beauvais, Speculum historiale, France ca. 1346

snaildog
'Fieschi Psalter', Cambrai ca. 1290-1295
Baltimore, The Walters Art Museum, Walters Manuscript W.45, fol. 222r

Haggadah deer and Haggadah dog
carmen figuratum, Haggadah for Passover (the ‘Ashkenazi Haggadah’), Germany ca. 1460.
BL, Additional 14762, fol. 14r

catche ye litle foxis to us, that destrien the vyneris
(Song of Solomon 2:15)
Rothschild Canticles, Flanders 14th century.
Beinecke Rare Book & Manuscript Library, MS 404, fol. 55r

hedgehog spoiling the vineyard

Bestiary, Thérouanne ca. 1277.
LA, The J. Paul Getty Museum, MS. Ludwig XV 4, fol. 83r

monkey hugging a kitten
gradual, Valenciennes 16th century.
Douai, Bibliothèque municipale, ms. 109, fol. 1r

cow and flower
book of hours, Bruges ca. 1510.
Rouen, Bibliothèque municipale, ms. 3028, fol. 98r

squirrel and caterpillar
Grandes Heures of Anne of Brittany, Tours or Paris 1503-1508.
BnF, Latin 9474, fol. 110v

spotted stag

Luttrell Psalter, England ca. 1325-1340.
British Library, Add 42130, fol. 296r

smiling boar

book of hours, Bruges or Ghent 15th century.
Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, MS 287, fol. 39r

trumpet nose

Bible, France ca. 1270-1290.
Bibliothèque d’Agglomération de Saint-Omer, Ms. 5, fol. 246r

rabbit piper

'The Rutland Psalter', England ca. 1260.
British Library, Add 62925, fol. 100r

lion musician
Summer volume of the Breviary of Renaud/Marguerite de Bar, Metz ca. 1302-1305.
Verdun, BM, ms. 107, fol. 26r

dragon in pieces
(Book of Daniel 14:23-27)
Pamplona Bible, Navarre 1197.
Amiens, Bibliothèque municipale, ms. 108, fol. 139v

dolphin of Ganges and an elephant

Thomas of Cantimpré, Liber de natura rerum, France ca. 1290.
Valenciennes, Bibliothèque municipale, ms. 320, fol. 118r

Harc

rabbit riding a hound with a trained snail of prey
Pontifical of Guillaume Durand, Avignon, before 1390. Paris, Bibliothèque Sainte-Geneviève, ms. 143, fol. 165r

kung-fu knight
Le livre de Lancelot du Lac and other Arthurian Romances, Northern France 13th century
Beinecke Rare Book & Manuscript Library, MS 229, fol. 326r

donkey warrior vs. killer snail
Pontifical of Guillaume Durand, Avignon, before 1390
Paris, Bibliothèque Sainte-Geneviève, ms. 143, fol. 179v

strawberry hunter
breviary, Rouen before 1498
Besançon, bibliothèque municipale, ms. 69, p. 55

leporid’s revenge
'The Smithfield Decretals’ (Decretals of Gregory IX with glossa ordinaria), Tolouse ca. 1300, illuminations added in London ca. 1340.
British Library, Royal 10 E IV, fol. 62r

rabbit warrior

Pontifical of Guillaume Durand, Avignon, before 1390.
Paris, Bibliothèque Sainte-Geneviève, ms. 143, fol. 52r

snailfight

‘The Smithfield Decretals’ (Decretals of Gregory IX with glossa ordinaria), Tolouse ca. 1300, illuminations added in London ca. 1340.
British Library, Royal 10 E IV, fol. 107r

Aquarius
Broeder Gheraerts Naturkunde, Utrecht 15th century
Wolfenbüttel, Herzog August Bibliothek, Cod. Guelf. 18.2 Aug. 4°, fol. 150r

Furcsák

ambulare

'Oscott Psalter', England ca. 1265-1270.
British Library, Add 50000, fol. 117r

happy new year

Livre de la Vigne nostre Seigneur, France ca. 1450-1470.
Bodleian Library, MS. Douce 134, fol. 84r

plants in ears, legs in mouth
Luttrell Psalter, England ca. 1325-1340
British Library, Add 42130, fol. 146v
6 days ago #hybrid#grotesque#mar

back-faced dragon
Breviary of Mary of Savoy, Lombardy ca. 1430.
Chambéry, Bibliothèque municipale, ms. 4, fol. 522r

here Jesus, have this rocks
(Matthew 4:3-4)
breviary, Rouen before 1498
Besançon, bibliothèque municipale, ms. 69, p. 269

harpist
Froissart’s Chronicles, Bruges ca. 1470-1475
Paris, BnF, Français 2643, fol. 72r

the flute player

Pierre Michault, La Dance aux aveigles, France 1466
BnF, Français 1654, fol. 171r

sunbathing monster
description of a Dalmatian sea monster by Poggio Bracciolini added to a copy of ‘Le Miroir du Monde’, France before 1463.
Bodleian Library, MS. Douce 337, fol. 85r

Mélusine
Couldrette, Roman de Mélusine, Flanders 15th century.
Paris, BnF, Français 24383, fol. 19r

false prophets
(Revelation 16:13)

'Queen Mary Apocalypse', London 14th century.
British Library, Royal MS 19 B XV, fol. 30v

bears eating children

2 Kings 2:23-24 And he went up from thence unto Bethel: and as he was going up by the way, there came forth little children out of the city, and mocked him, and said unto him, Go up, thou bald head; go up, thou baldhead. And he turned back, and looked on them, and cursed them in the name of the Lord. And there came forth two she bears out of the wood, and tare forty and two children of them.

Biblia pauperum, Netherlands ca. 1395-1400. British Library, Kings MS 5, fol. 15r

Medieval Teletubbies in a basket…

Le Livre des hystoires du Mirouer du monde, Paris 15th century.
BnF, Français 328, fol. 27r

medieval diving suit

Konrad Kyeser, Bellifortis, Bavaria 1459.
København, Det Kongelige Bibliotek, Thott 290 2º, fol. 44r